

To Whom It May Concern,

I am totally ashamed of the media and their decision to air "Stolen Honor" just before the November 3 election. Truly it is apparent that this documentary is meant to sway the election, its content is not proven facts about presidential candidate John Kerry. Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. It's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter. I am a concerned citizen and mother that wants to protect my freedoms and embrace the freedoms of speech and media. But surely, when big corporations abuse these rights using them to sway voters with unfounded accusations I become alarmed and afraid.

I believe that the FCC might be able to put a stop to these special interest group that abuse these rights like Sinclair broadcasting. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.